

## APPENDIX

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committee on Education has filed a favorable report on House Bill No. 243.

The following committees have filed adverse reports on bills, as follows:

Education: House Bills Nos. 56 and 155.

Judiciary: House Bills Nos. 178, 212, 254, 255, 300, 304, 308, 309, 370, and 371.

The Committee on Judiciary filed an adverse report, with a minority favorable report, on House Bill No. 231.

## TWENTY-FIRST DAY

(Tuesday, February 14, 1933)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Stevenson.

The roll was called, and the following Members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Dunagan.
Adamson.	Duvall.
Aikin.	Dwyer.
Alexander.	Engelhard.
Alsup.	Fain.
Anderson	Few.
of Bexar.	Fisher.
Anderson	Ford.
of Johnson.	Fuchs.
Baker.	Glass.
Barrett.	Golson.
Barron.	Good.
Beck.	Goodman.
Bedford.	Graves.
Bourne.	Greathouse.
Bradley.	Griffith.
Burns.	Haag.
Butler.	Hankamer.
Calvert.	Harman.
Camp.	Harrison.
Canon.	Hartzog.
Cathey.	Head.
Caven.	Hester.
Chastain.	Hicks.
Clayton.	Hill of Brazoria.
Colson.	Hill of Webb.
Coombes.	Hodges.
Cowley.	Holekamp.
Crossley.	Holland.
Daniel.	Holloway.
Davidson.	Hoskins.
Dean.	Huddleston.
Devall.	Hughes.
Dunlap.	Hunt.

Hyder.	Ray.
Jackson.	Reader.
James.	Reed of Bowie.
Jefferson.	Reed of Dallas.
Johnson	Renfro.
of Anderson.	Riddle.
Jones of Atascosa.	Roberts.
Jones of Runnels.	Rogers of Hunt.
Jones of Shelby.	Rogers
Kayton.	of Ochiltree.
Kyle of Hays.	Rollins.
Kyle of Palo Pinto.	Ross.
Laird.	Russell.
Latham.	Savage.
Lemens.	Scarborough.
Leonard.	Scott.
Lindsey.	Shannon.
Long.	Shults.
Lotief.	Smith.
Magee.	Stanfield.
Mackay.	Steward.
Mathis.	Stinson.
McClain.	Stovall.
McGregor.	Sullivant.
McKee.	Tarwater.
Metcalf.	Tennyson.
Mitcham.	Thomas.
Moffett.	Tillery.
Moore.	Townsend.
Morrison.	Turlington.
Morse.	Van Zandt.
Munson.	Vaughan.
Nicholson.	Wagstaff.
Parkhouse.	Walker.
Pavlica.	Weinert.
Pope.	Wells.
Puryear.	Winningham.
Ramsey.	Wood.
Ratliff.	Young.

Absent

Harris.

Absent—Excused

Johnson	Merritt.
of Dimmit.	Palmer.
McCullough.	Patterson.
McDougald.	West.

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Geo. W. Coltrin, Chaplain.

## LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following Members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Merritt for today, on motion of Mr. Metcalfe.

Mr. McDougald for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Parkhouse.

The following Members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Palmer for today, on motion of Mr. Townsend.

Mr. McCullough for today, on account of illness in his family, on motion of Mr. Hyder.

Mr. Ratliff was granted leave of absence for this morning to attend a funeral, on motion of Mr. Ray.

#### HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Laird:

H. B. No. 483, A bill to be entitled "An Act extending the limits of all existing common and independent school districts which border on navigable streams to the center of such stream so as to include in each district one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the beds of such streams, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Chastain, Mr. Metcalfe, and Mr. Ford:

H. B. No. 484, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the repeal of Section 4-a, Chapter 22, General Laws of the Fifth Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, being an Act providing for the sale of certain lands in Sabine Lake, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. Kayton and Mr. Anderson of Bexar:

H. B. No. 485, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the State Board of Control, or other agencies of the State of Texas, having under its jurisdiction buildings, and the construction and design of buildings to be owned by the State of Texas, to employ an architect or engineer on all construction of any public buildings costing more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000); residence requirements of such architect or engineer; com-

pensation of such; providing for competitive bids, and the advertisement of bids on all such work, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. Metcalfe:

H. B. No. 486, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 8309-a, of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1925, so as to speed up the disposition of claims filed with the Industrial Accident Board; giving the injured employes the right of appeal if the Board should fail or refuse to pass on claims within ninety days after they are filed with said Board; providing that failure to so appeal from such failure or refusal to act shall not prevent an appeal from a subsequent award; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Nicholson (by request):

H. B. No. 487, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 91, of the General Laws of the Fortieth Legislature, amending Article 7596, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, regulating liens for water rates, so as hereafter to limit the statutory lien on crops to secure water rates for irrigation to one-third of the crop; and to give to those supplying water for irrigation a preference lien on crops, superior to every other lien; to limit the lien which public utilities may contract for on crops to one-third; and to authorize waiver of lien by districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

The following House joint resolutions, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Anderson of Bexar:

H. J. R. No. 21, Proposing a convention to frame a Constitution for the State of Texas.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Goodman:

H. J. R. No. 22, Proposing to amend Sections 1, 2, 6, and 7, of Article V, of the Constitution of Texas, the same being the Article creating the Judiciary Department of the State, so as to make Sections 1, 2, 6, and 7, of Article V, read as follows:

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

#### BILL RECOMMITTED

Mr. Head moved that House Bill No. 457 be recommitted to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. Coombes moved to table the motion, and the motion to table was lost.

Question then recurring on the motion by Mr. Head, it prevailed.

#### PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO SPEAKER STEVENSON

Mr. Griffith offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Hon. Ben Cathey, of Wood County, Texas, and Hon. G. C. Adrian, of Van Zandt County, Texas, a Member and employe, respectively, of this Honorable Body, now have an historic gavel that they wish to present to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Forty-third Legislature, the head of which gavel was made from a post oak rail split by James Stephen Hogg in 1869, when he was about of the age of 18 years, and lived on the C. H. Haynes Farm, located about eight miles east of Mineola on the Lake Fork Stream, and the handle of which gavel was made from a pecan limb, planted by James Stephen Hogg in his yard in Mineola, Texas, during about the year 1884; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That said gavel be now presented by the donors on behalf of the House of Representatives to the Hon. Coke Stevenson, Speaker of the House of the Forty-third Legislature, to be used and retained by him, as his personal property, as the token of our esteem and appreciation. Be it further

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee to now deliver this historic gavel to him.

GRIFFITH,  
HICKS.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee: Messrs. Cathey, Griffith, and Hicks.

Speaker Stevenson then presented Mr. Cathey, who presented the gavel to the Speaker, and spoke as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, Ladies, and Gentlemen of the House: This little gavel has been sent from Wood County, down here to be presented to the Hon. Coke Stevenson, Speaker of the House. Ladies and gentlemen, the history of this little gavel is that the maker, Mr. R. D. Adrian, of Wood County, is a nephew of Hon. J. D. G. Adrian, who was a Member of the House from Smith County in 1853-56, and whose picture now hangs in the Hall of the House.

"Hon. J. D. G. Adrian, while a Member of the House in 1853-56, rode a mule from Tyler to Austin to attend the sessions of the Legislature, as this was before the railroads had been extended to Austin.

"A son of Hon. J. D. G. Adrian, Hon. J. C. Adrian, of Travis County, was for several years Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms and Assistant Doorkeeper of both Houses of the Legislature. He died in January, 1932, while serving in that capacity.

"One of the presenters of this historical gavel, G. C. Adrian, of Van Zandt County, who is now our Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, is a grandson of the distinguished Member, Hon. J. D. G. Adrian, of Smith County.

"Ladies and gentlemen, perhaps no other Texan was more dearly beloved than Governor James Stephen Hogg, who spent the greater part of his life in Wood County, Texas. He was born March 24, 1851, in Cherokee County, and died in 1906. He was elected county attorney in '79, and district attorney of the Seventh Judicial District in '87, and Governor in 1890, and served his term. He is known as the Father of the Texas Railroad Commission. He was also justice of the peace while he lived in Wood County, and his little home of four rooms, his little box house, in which he lived, still stands, and is of great historic value to those of his friends who visit Wood County.

"While he was justice of the peace, there was an Irishman and a land-

lord for whom the Irishman was digging a ditch. And a law suit was heard before Governor Hogg. He could not decide from the testimony the merits of the case, for the Irishman testified one way and the landlord the other, and he could not decide from the way that testimony came in, who was right. Governor Hogg saddled his little mule, about five or six hundred pounds, and mounted it and rode six miles out from Quitman to see who had told the truth about the ditch, and then he knew how to render the verdict when he got back, and rendered that verdict in favor of the Irishman. There are many interesting stories told of James Stephen Hogg. When he was 18 years old, he split rails on what is known as the Haynes Farm, east of Quitman. And there are many things told of him and about him as a rail splitter. He was sent one morning, down to split rails in a bunch of beautiful sweet gum trees, and it looked like there was nothing to do but stick a wedge in and the rails would split. He cut sweet gum timber all day, intending to split it the next day, and then he found he could drive the wedge clear up to the head but not a sign of a crack would it make. That was one of the stories told about him as a sweet gum rail splitter. He made nearly all of the rails used down on the Haynes Farm, and this little gavel is made from one of the rails that they are still preserving over there. The handle of the gavel is made from a limb of a pecan tree that he planted in 1884, I think it was, in his back yard of the Mineola home.

"Jim Hogg, who is loved by all the people of Texas, is loved by the Membership of this House, and we thought that it would be the proper thing to send this gavel to the Hon. Coke Stevenson. Now, Mr. Stevenson, your friends and the friends of Governor Hogg, present to you this gavel, and ask you to take it and do with it as you think best. They give it to you as your personal property, and it is their sincere desire that when years creep upon you, when the frosts of many winters are upon your brow, that you talk with your family and discuss with them about your desire with regard to the preservation of this little gavel; and that, if it is your desire, and if you think best,

to keep it in a museum, here in Austin, and that you place it there with your own hands, and write with your own handwriting a little history. Still maintaining it and still keeping it as your own, so that the children yet unborn, may come and see your handwriting and learn of the history of this gavel presented by the friends of Governor Hogg to you.

"Governor Hogg's friends, and your friends, believing in you as they do, and after watching your career as far as it has progressed as Speaker of this House, we have no fear that this little gavel will ever be used to beat down or drown the voice of one who rises to address you, or the House of Representatives, on behalf of the great, struggling masses of people that Hogg, in his lifetime, loved so dearly.

"Now, on behalf of the friends of Governor Hogg, and more especially of Wood County, where he served the people so faithfully and so long, I take pleasure in presenting to you this little gavel."

Mr. Stevenson accepted the gavel, and addressed the House as follows:

"Members of the House, and of the Committee, and Judge Cathey: Nothing could give me more pleasure than to be the recipient of the gavel presented by your hands. Particularly, since it is made from a rail split and carved by the hands of that immortal statesman, one of the most illustrious that the State of Texas has ever known — Governor James Stephen Hogg.

"As an illustration of my reverence for the political principles of Governor Hogg, I want to state to you that for some fifteen years there has been in my library a book entitled 'Speeches and State Papers of James Stephen Hogg.' I have read and re-read it, and I think that the political principles which have guided many of the decisions that I have made in this House were gained from reading that book. I remember quoting his language in the Forty-first and during the Forty-second Legislature, in talking about the bond issue, in which he expressed himself as being unalterably opposed to all State bond issues, and in favor of the strictest economy in government. And also on other occasions I have quoted his opinions on public questions. And it

is most suitable that I refer you to one of his quotations. He was often subjected to criticisms, and especially during his campaigns for election to public office. One of his campaigns for the governorship was perhaps one of the most memorable in the history of Texas. Along toward the close of his public career he made this statement: 'When people are against you and make criticisms of you, there are various reasons for the sentiments expressed. It may be malice nestling in the bosom of envy. It may be spite lurking in the heart of jealousy. It may be hatred rankling in the soul of disappointment. But whatever the reason, pay no attention to it; go down the line and do your duty.'

"That is of special significance to you at this time, to each one of us. There are those on the outside who are criticising the Legislature. This spirit may be attributable to any one of the reasons given by Governor Hogg. But pay no attention to any of them; go down the line and do your duty. This House has been going down the line and doing its duty, without fear or favor from any quarter.

"I accept this gavel presented this morning from these good friends of Wood County, those who remember with reverence and esteem Governor Hogg. And I appreciate the sentiments expressed, and I hope that this gavel may never be wielded except for the good of Texas."

#### RELATIVE TO REFINANCING MORTGAGE LOANS

Mr. Dwyer offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 22, Proposing that a fund of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) be placed in the Home Loan Bank for the purpose of refinancing mortgage loans, not in excess of 25 per cent of the original amount.

Whereas, There are many loan associations and trust companies holding mortgages against homes of the people of this country, and

Whereas, In many instances, these mortgages have been reduced to an amount less than one-fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the original loans, and

Whereas, Said property is being sold, and can be sold, for more than the amount of the loan, and

Whereas, Distressing financial conditions prevent refinancing of these mortgages in the usual way, now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, the Senate concurring, That we request the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to place in the Home Loan Banks for use in Texas, an amount not to exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000, which sum of money shall be used entirely for the refinancing of mortgage paper on homes, or like property, where the amount of the loan is less than 25 per cent of the original amount, and, be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Jesse H. Jones, of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and a copy to the Home Loan Bank, at Little Rock, Arkansas, and a copy to the Governor of the State of Texas.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

#### TO PROTEST DISCONTINUANCE OF CERTAIN AIR MAIL LINE

Mr. Metcalfe offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 23, To protest the discontinuation of certain air mail line.

Whereas, The United States Post Office Department, on February 10, 1933, discontinued the air mail route from San Antonio, Texas, to Big Spring, Texas, and

Whereas, This air mail route was an important link in the communications service between the Rio Grande Valley, the Republic of Mexico, Corpus Christi, San Antonio, San Angelo, and the western part of Texas and the Pacific Coast, and

Whereas, The elimination of this route causes great inconvenience and delay in the delivery of important mail between the sections formerly served thereby, now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, the Senate concurring, That we protest the discontinuation of this air mail service and urge the Post Office Department to reinstate it at the earliest possible date, and, be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Members of the Senate of the United States and

the Members of the House of Representatives of the United States from Texas and to the President- and Vice-President-elect.

METCALFE,  
ANDERSON of Bexar,  
POPE.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3 ON SECOND READING

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, on its second reading, for consideration at this time,

H. J. R. No. 3, Proposing to repeal Article V, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, the same being the Article creating the Judiciary Department of the State, and to adopt and enact a new Article V in lieu thereof, reorganizing the Judiciary Department of the State of Texas;

The resolution having heretofore been read second time.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 3, page 8, by striking out, in Section 20 thereof, beginning in line 7, the words "in all cases decided in justice courts, where the judgment is for more than twenty dollars, exclusive of costs, and in all criminal cases, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "from the justice of the peace courts, in both civil and criminal cases, in such instances and under such regulations as may be prescribed by law."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Alexander offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 3, Section 11, by adding in line 16, of page 5, following the word "court," the words "having jurisdiction over felony cases," and by striking out the word "next" in the same line.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Alexander offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 3 by adding at the end of Section 18 thereof, the sentence:

"The county attorney shall be a citizen of the United States, and of this State, and shall have been a practicing lawyer of this State for four years next preceding his election."

Mr. Alexander offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by changing the word "four" to "two."

The amendment was adopted.

The amendment as amended was then adopted.

Mr. Coombes offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 3, page 7, line 33, by striking out the word "constable."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Ratliff offered the following amendment to the resolution:

"Sec. 16. Each organized county in the State, now or hereafter existing, shall be divided from time to time for the convenience of the people, into precincts, not less than four and not more than eight. Said division shall be made by the commissioners court, provided for by the Constitution, and in each such precinct, there shall be elected, at each bi-annual election, one justice of peace and one constable, each of whom shall hold office for two years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified; provided, that in each precinct in which there may be a city of eight thousand or more inhabitants, there shall be elected two justices of the peace. Each county shall, in like manner, be divided into four commissioners precincts, in each of which, there shall be elected, by the qualified voters thereof, one county commissioner, who shall hold office for two years and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. There shall also be elected, by the qualified voters of each county, one county commissioner at large, who shall hold office for two years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. The commissioner from each precinct, together with the commissioner at large, as presiding officer, shall compose the commissioners court, which shall exercise such powers and jurisdiction over all county business as is conferred by the Constitution and the laws of this State, or as may be hereafter prescribed by law."

On motion of Mr. McGregor, the amendment was tabled.

Mr. Ratliff offered the following amendment to the resolution.

Amend Section 16, of House Joint Resolution No. 3, by striking out the last line of said Section, beginning on line 6, page 7, and add to said Section 16, the following: "There shall also be elected, by the qualified voters of each county, one county commissioner at large, who shall hold office for two years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. The commissioners from each precinct, together with the commissioner at large, as presiding officer, shall comprise the commissioners court, which shall exercise such powers and jurisdiction over all county business as is conferred by the Constitution and the laws of this State, or as may be hereafter prescribed by law."

Mr. McGregor raised a point of order on further consideration of the amendment, on the ground that the amendment contains subject matter heretofore rejected by the House.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

Mr. Sullivant offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 3, page 5, Section 11, line 16, of the printed bill, by striking out the word "five" and insert in lieu thereof the word "four."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Reed of Bowie offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 3 by striking out, on page 5, line 19, the word "four" and insert therein the word "two."

On motion of Mr. McGregor, the amendment was tabled.

Mr. McKee moved that further consideration of the resolution be postponed until February 28, and that the resolution be reprinted as amended.

On motion of Mr. McGregor, the motion was tabled.

House Joint Resolution No. 3 was then passed by the following vote:

Yeas—118

Adamson.	Anderson
Alexander.	of Johnson.
Alsup.	Baker.
Anderson of Bexar.	Barron.

Beck.	Kyle of Palo Pinto.
Bourne.	Laird.
Bradley.	Latham.
Burns.	Lemens.
Butler.	Long.
Calvert.	Lotief.
Camp.	Magee.
Canon.	Mackay.
Cathey.	Mathis.
Chastain.	McClain.
Colson.	McGregor.
Coombes.	Metcalfe.
Cowley.	Mitcham.
Crossley.	Moffett.
Davidson.	Moore.
Dean.	Morrison.
Devall.	Morse.
Dunagan.	Parkhouse.
Duvall.	Pavlica.
Dwyer.	Pope.
Fain.	Puryear.
Few.	Ramsey.
Fisher.	Ray.
Fuchs.	Reed of Bowie.
Glass.	Reed of Dallas.
Golson.	Riddle.
Good.	Roberts.
Goodman.	Rogers of Hunt.
Graves.	Rogers of Ochiltree.
Greathouse.	Rollins.
Griffith.	Ross.
Haag.	Russell.
Harman.	Savage.
Harrison.	Scott.
Hartzog.	Shannon.
Head.	Shults.
Hester.	Smith.
Hicks.	Stanfield.
Hill of Brazoria.	Steward.
Hill of Webb.	Stinson.
Hodges.	Stovall.
Holekamp.	Sullivant.
Holland.	Tarwater.
Huddleston.	Tennyson.
Hughes.	Thomas.
Hunt.	Tillery.
Hyder.	Townsend.
James.	Turlington.
Jefferson.	Van Zandt.
Johnson	Vaughan.
of Anderson.	Walker.
Jones of Atascosa.	Weinert.
Jones of Runnels.	Wells.
Jones of Shelby.	Winningsham.
Kayton.	Wood.
Kyle of Hays.	Young.

Nays—10

Aikin.	Jackson.
Clayton.	Lindsey.
Daniel.	McKee.
Ford.	Renfro.
Hankamer.	Wagstaff.

Present—Not Voting

Munson.

## Absent

Barrett.	Holloway.
Bedford.	Hoskins.
Caven.	Leonard.
Dunlap.	Nicholson.
Engelhard.	Reader.
Harris.	Scarborough.

## Absent—Excused

Johnson	Palmer.
of Dimmit.	Patterson.
McCullough.	Ratliff.
McDougald.	West.
Merritt.	

## RECESS

On motion of Mr. Mathis, the House, at 12:10 o'clock p. m., took recess to 10 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

## APPENDIX

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills and resolutions, as follows:

Agriculture: House Bill No. 319.

Appropriations: House Bill No. 442.

Banks and Banking: House Bills Nos. 457 and 383.

Federal Relations: Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10.

Judiciary: House Bills Nos. 53, 72, 228, and 286.

State Affairs: House Bills Nos. 182, 312, and 318; Senate Bill No. 135, and House Concurrent Resolution No. 15.

Insurance: House Bills Nos. 423 and 424.

Labor: House Bills Nos. 19, 432, and 450.

The following committees have filed adverse reports on bills, as follows:

Judiciary: House Bill No. 287.

State Affairs: House Bills Nos. 78 and 229.

## TWENTY-FIRST DAY

(Continued)

(Wednesday, February 15, 1933)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Stevenson.

## COMMUNICATION FROM NAT M. WASHER

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following communication:

State of Texas  
Board of Education

Austin, Texas, February 14, 1933.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, Lieutenant-Governor and President of the Senate; Hon. Coke Stevenson, Speaker of the House of Representatives; and Honorable Members of the Forty-third Legislature.

Gentlemen: The members of the State Board for Vocational Education are familiar with the constructive work of rehabilitation as it has been extended through the efforts of Mr. J. J. Brown, in charge of that work in the Division of Vocational Education in the public school activities in the State.

Men, women, and children, disabled and defective, and who might have become a charge upon the charity of the people and a burden upon the State itself, have, through these efforts, been made (if not entirely whole again) at least capable of self-support, and in hundreds of cases have demonstrated the wisdom of the efficiency of such departmental work.

To the end that the aforesaid work may be enlarged and extended, the State Board for Vocational Education herewith begs, at the hands of your Honorable Bodies, that you make appropriation for this purpose in a sum to equal the amount made available by Federal enactment for such rehabilitation, confident in the belief that such allotment will materially enhance the work of the Department, and return, in effective citizenship to the State, many times the amount of such expenditure.

Yours very truly,

NAT M. WASHER,

President, State Board of Education.

## COMMUNICATION FROM MRS. J. W. McCULLOUGH

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following communication: